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## Self-Gov - Nursing, State Board of Nursing Board

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### Description:

The mission of the Idaho Board of Nursing is to regulate nursing practice and education for the purpose of safeguarding the public health, safety, and welfare.

### Major Functions and Targeted Performance Standard(s) for Each Function:

1. License qualified persons for the practice of nursing.

- A. Issue licenses as defined by statute and rule - Examination (RN/PN)

Actual Results			
1996	1997	1998	1999
309/146	443/174	407/184	307/161
Projected Results			
2000	2001	2002	2003
300/110	300/110	320/110	320/110

- B. Issue licenses as defined by statute and rule - Endorsement

Actual Results			
1996	1997	1998	1999
698	668	698	631
Projected Results			
2000	2001	2002	2003
650	550	450	350

- C. Issue licenses as defined by statute and rule - Reinstatement

Actual Results			
1996	1997	1998	1999
94	111	126	103
Projected Results			
2000	2001	2002	2003
75	70	65	65

- D. Issue licenses as defined by statute and rule - APPN licensure.

Actual Results			
1996	1997	1998	1999
52	49	67	78
Projected Results			
2000	2001	2002	2003
50	70	70	70

- E. Issue licenses as defined by statute and rule - Renewal

Actual Results			
1996	1997	1998	1999
RN 7,000	PN 2,639	RN 9,405	PN 3,264
Projected Results			
2000	2001	2002	2003
RN 8,000/APPN 500	PN 2,600	RN 7,000/APPN 500	PN 2,600

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2. Define and regulate nursing practice at all levels.

- A. Investigate complaints received and initiate action as appropriate/consistent with Board policies/rules.

Actual Results			
1996	1997	1998	1999
100	56	80	62
Projected Results			
2000	2001	2002	2003
100	110	110	100

- B. Administer program for recovering nurses. (\*Outside contractor) (New enrollees and continuations)

Actual Results			
1996	1997	1998	1999
58*	78	85	93
Projected Results			
2000	2001	2002	2003
110	125	125	125

- C. Administer the contract for training/testing/registry for Nursing Assistants. (Active/Inactive)

Actual Results			
1996	1997	1998	1999
10,169	11,160	11,800	2,800/20,000
Projected Results			
2000	2001	2002	2003
3,000/21,000	3,000/22,000	3,000/22,000	3,000/22,000

3. Regulate educational programs preparing nurses for practice at all levels.

- A. Survey, review and approve nursing education programs based on established criteria (surveys/approvals).

Actual Results			
1996	1997	1998	1999
13 visits	13 visits	14 visits	6/14
Projected Results			
2000	2001	2002	2003
10/12	6/10	4/10	4/10

4. Obtain and exchange of information related to licensure, practice and education.

- A. Collaborate in the development, implementation, evaluation, of strategies. Facilitate communication between the Board of Nursing and consumers. (Number of Meetings/Program attendance)

Actual Results			
1996	1997	1998	1999
22	46	27	20
Projected Results			
2000	2001	2002	2003
20	20	25	25

B. Increase access to nursing-related information. (Number of Meetings/forums conducted)

Actual Results			
1996	1997	1998	1999
19	17	28	35
Projected Results			
2000	2001	2002	2003
25	25	28	35

C. Provide public access to practitioner data (PFI/HIPDB).

Actual Results			
1996	1997	1998	1999
Projected Results			
2000	2001	2002	2003
1,200	1,200	1,200	1,500

**Program Results and Effect:**

1. To assure public protection by licensing only qualified persons as determined by established criteria. Licensure is by examination, endorsement, renewal, and reinstatement.
2. To define the legal scope of practice for licensed practical nurses (LPN's), professional nurses (RN's), and advanced practice professional nurses (APPN's) and to initiate investigations and disciplinary action in response to reports of non-compliance. To assure that nurses whose practice may be impaired due to chemical addiction and/or mental/emotional illness are allowed to practice under strict monitoring conditions and other practice limitations and to maintain a Registry for qualified nursing assistants which includes notice of validated findings of abuse, neglect, and misappropriation of property.
3. To assure that nursing education programs that prepare graduates for licensure, are responsive to changing needs of society and evolving health care trends, and to evaluate and approve programs based on established criteria.
4. To incorporate advanced information systems and current technology to promote an awareness of regulatory issues and trends among consumers and health care providers.
5. To accomplish the responsibilities assigned to the Board by providing staff and Board member development, by refining procedures/policies, and by effectively utilizing available resources.

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